IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

WEDNESDAY, THE FIFTH DAY OF JULY
TWO THOUSAND AND SIX

PRESENT
THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE BILAL NAZKI

WRIT PETITION No.24852 of 1997

Between:

M/s.Asian Polishing Slabs,
Rep. by its Prop. D.Jayarami reddy.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1.Andhra Pradesh State Electricity Board,
rep. by its Member Secretary, Vidyut soudha,
Hyderabad, and 3 others.

.....RESPONDENTS

ORDER:

Learned Counsel for the petitioner is not present. Although an adjournment is sought by another counsel on behalf of learned Counsel for the petitioner, this case is not adjourned as the matter is pending in this Court from the year 1997 and these matters are listed especially on Wednesdays before every Bench of the Court. As such, the request for adjournment is rejected.

I have gone through the file. The power supply of the petitioner-industry was disconnected with effect from
24-09-1997 on the ground that during inspection it had been found that the meters were tampered and the petitioner-industry was liable to pay an amount of Rs.2,77,479/-. By the impugned notice, petitioner was asked to deposit half of the amount, and in case of any grievance, he was also asked to make a representation.

The power supply had been disconnected pending enquiry. The petitioner has already enjoyed the interim direction granted by this Court for almost a decade. Since the respondent-authorities had only directed an enquiry, and had given a chance to the petitioner to file a representation, I do not find any illegality in the impugned order passed by the third respondent.

The Writ Petition is, accordingly, dismissed. No costs.

05-07-2006

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